POWDER EXPLOSION KILLS FOUR MEN

Laffin-Rand Powder Mills Near Columbus, Kansas Totally Wrecked By Accident.

Columbus, Kans., May 11.-Four men were instantly killed, and property valued at several thousand dollars was destroyed by an explosion in the press room of the Laflin-Rand powder mills at Turk station, four miles north of here, at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The dead:

JOSEPH STOVALL, 55 years old. WILLIAM MORROW, 45 years old. JAMES ROOD, 40 years old.

ROBERT McFARLAND, 25 years old, all of Columbus.

The press building was totally wrecked, portions of the heavy machinery being thrown many hundred feet. The bodies of the victims were literally torn to pieces and scattered over the enclosure.

Seventy-five men, employed in other buildings of the plant, were endangered by the explosion and the fire that followed it. In the other buildings large quantities of powder are stored and it was feared additional explosions would follow a spread of the By Associated Press. flames. For two hours the entire force of workmen fought the fire with votes on the duty on white lead and the apparatus at the plant and finally other products of lead will be taken

SENSATIONAL STORIES

Rome, May 11.—Sensational stories apparently founded on good authority have reached the government from India with reference to the Duke of Abruzzi. One report declares that the attempted to shoot himself and only the watchfulness of his attendants prevented the act.

ANOTHER CUT ANNOUNCED IN CRUDE OIL PRICE

By Associated Press.

Lima, Ohio, May 11.-The Standard Oil company, made its second slash By Associated Press. in crude oil prices today. Another cut being posted. While the stocks of eastern fields show heavy losses, millions of barrels are in storage in Okof domestic trade during the summer, is due the cut.

SENATE WILL VOTE ON PRODUCTS OF LEAD.

of the Western penitentiary of Penn- -which consisted of several letters-

Boyle and his wife, Helen Boyle, kld- Both Whitia and Forker vigorously

nappers of "Willie" Whitla. The man deny the charges of Boyle, calling it

if there is truth in the statement is the diense, the district attorney and

sued by Boyle after his sentence was al. his assistants discredit the story.

imposed, the case apparently ended, "I don't believe there is the slightest

by the conviction of the principals, foundation for the Forker story," said

lation, not only is a brother of pose the maximum sentence upon the

kidnapping, but Whitla himself is al- records there was no other course."

the abduction of the boy. Boyle says "I have known Harry Forker many

was then that the kidnapping scheme Mrs. Frank Buhl. He also is a cousin

When he met J. P. Whitin in Cleve- of the Republic Iron and Steel comland in regard to the payment of the pany of Pittsburg. Harry Forker has ransom, Boyle says, he told the father had no business connections for the

of the boy all about the case and last four or five years and it is the

Forker's participation in it. He adds general belief in Sharon that he was

that Whitla said if he could prove the maintained by the Buhla and the

story there would be no prosecution. Whitlas. He is the acknowledged

The child stealer says he did prove black sheep of the Forker family.

an uncle of "Willie" Whitla, suggested believe now there is."

Youngstown, O., in that year. When regarding him."

ylvania closed last night upon James his pledge.

These allegations are both denied.

\$5,000 was demanded at once, Forker

was broached.

Washington, D. C., May 11.-The

to Whitla and that Whitla did not keep

ABOUT DUKE OF ABRZZI REPUBLICAN MAJORITY ARIE TO UPHOLD LEAD SCHEDULE

to which he has been subject of late, Aldrich Announces That Finance Committee measure will be able by that time to Will Submit Entire New Schedule on Zinc and Lead Products --- By Vote of 44 to 35 Duty of Two and a Half Cents on Pig Lead Was Sustained.

Washington, D. C., May 11.-When Chairman Aldrich stated that he re- him at a spot on the short of Orcutt of five cents a barrel for all grades, the tariff bill was taken up by the garded the vote as an indorsement of lake. senate today, Senator Aldrich stated the action of the committee, and exthat the committee on finance would pressed confidence that all the schedsubmit to the senate a different scale ules of the committee would be uplahoma and to this, with the decline of duties on zinc ore and the products of zinc, and asked that the schedule as well as the sections relating to lead products be passed over for the present. The request was conceded, Senntor Bristow announcing that when the white lead schedule would be reached that he wishes to be heard

The ability of the republican majority of the senate to uphold the recommendation of the committee on fianace duty on pig lead as recommended by the committee on finance.

In the vote, eleven republicans voted Pittsburg, Pa., May 11.-The doors his case by turning over his evidence with the democrats, and two democrats with the republicans. By a viva ers and to build a hard road through voce vote the senate adopted the rate of 21/2 cents a pound on pig lead, as recommended by the committee.

is sentenced to life imprisonment and "absurd" and "rot." In addition to the woman to twenty-five years. But this, the trial judge, the attorneys for FOUR NEW STATE BANKS CHARTERED

has only just begun. By Boyle's reve- Judge Williams. "I was sorry to im-Guthrie, Okia., May 12.-Four state Mrs. W. P. Whitla involved in the Boyles, but after investigating their bank of Pocassett, capital \$10,000, was leged to have broken his word to the "At no time," said J. M. Lininger, convicted man by prosecuting him district attorney, "has our secret or State bank of Sallisaw, capital \$25,open investigation indicated that 000, was a conversion from a national Poyle charges that Harry Forker, there was a third party, and I cannot bank. The Guarantee State bank of Kingfisher, capital \$25,000, a new bank. The Delaware State bank of this was because since 1895 Forker years," said H. S. Miller, chief coun-Delaware, capital, \$10,000, is also a had been paying him hush money in sel for the Boyles. "I am confident connection with an alleged murder in there is nothing whatever in the story

could not produce, Boyle says, and it He is a brother of Mrs. Whith and SENATE'S ACTION ENDS PROHIBITION CHANCES

By Associated Press.

Jefferson City, Mo., May 12 .- The senate today refused to recede from the tax rider amendment to th prohibition joint resolution and asked the house for a conference committee.

This action is taken generally as the spelling the end of the measure at this session.

The fight on the tax rider was bitter and the vote so close that only one ballot was lacking to carry the motion to recede. The count showed Jefferson City, Mo., May 11.-With- Chicago, Ill., May 11.-The Journal seventeen affirmative ballots, one less out debate and by a viva voce vote, today devotes the entire front page than the constitutional majority.

NO VIOLENCE REPORTED

IN BESIEGED CITY.

Paris, May 12.-Paris today rein Austria prompted him to make his sembled a city in a state of siege. During the night the troops took possession of the central post and telegraph stations and at daylight squads of infantry men were picketed around the branch offices.

No violence has been attempted.

Notice to Taxpayers of Township .8.

All persons that feel agrieved or vated about two and one-half miles Haskell and others. Eleven qualified guished areonauts welcomed the board Monday, May 17, and make of Vinita, and is valued at \$10,000.

MISSOURI LEGISLATURE TO ADJOURN MONDA

By Associated Press.

Jefferson City, Mo., May 13 .- The nouse today adopted a joint resolution fixing the time for sine die adjournment at noon, of May 17. The senate is expected to concur. It is doubtful if the conferees on the prohibition force through an agreement, provid- By Associated Press. ed one is reached.

THREATENED TO DESTROY HOME OF TULSA WIDOW.

Tulsa, Okla., May 11.-Edward Miller was arrested last night on the charge of sending "black hand" letters to Mrs. J. A. Friend, a wealthy widow threatening to destroy her home un-At the conclusion of the session, less the sum of \$2,000 was left for

> HEAVY RAIN REPORTED IN KANSAS WHEAT BELT. SECOND DEFEAT FOR

By Associated Press.

Kansas City, Mo., May 13.-Half an By Associated Press.

FIGHTING FLAMES

Fire Practically Destroys Northern Kansas Town-Loss Estimated At About \$100,000.

Phillipsburg, Kans., May 13 .-- Fire at midnight last night at Long Island, Kans., a small town, twenty miles north of here, close to the Nebraska line, destroyed five business buildings, causing a loss estimated at a hundred

thousand dollars. The conflagation started in a furniture store, supposedly from spontaneous combustion and as the town had no fire apparatus, the flames practically burned themselves out. The buildings destroyed include the furniture store, a general store and a drug store. Two men were seriously injured while fighting the flames.

CLUB LICENSE BILL.

nch to an inch of rain was reported Jefferson City, Mo., May 11,-A bill throughout the Kansas wheat belt providing for the licensing of social early today. Reno, Rice, Stafford, Bar-clubs, which sell intoxicants to memton, Kingman, Pratt and McPherson bers, was defeated in the house today counties were soaked. Wheat was for the second time. The governor greatly benefitted. Northwest Mis- sent two messages to the legislature souri also reports a heavy downpour. urging the passage of the measure.

succeeded in bringing it under control. in the senate today, on the lead schedule, which contains the Dingley rates in the ...riff bill in road, running entirely across the coun-Creagor Wants Division the place of the lower duties fixed by ty from east to west, show that the **Boyle Implicates Uncle** the house of representatives, was fully proposition earried by a vote of 445 to 143. The road is to cost \$100,000 and of Pie and Starts Row demonstrated yesterday, when by a the first to be built under the new of Boy in Kidnapping vote of 44 to 35 the senate declined good roads law passed by the last to reduce by one-quarter of a cent the

received yesterday from the election held in Lincoln county Monday to vote for the construction of a hard legislature,

\$100,000 FOR ONE ROAD

Guthrie, Okla., May 12. - Returns

LINCOLN COUNTY VOTES

The commercial club of Chandler has agreed to put up \$2 for every dollar that the highways costs the farm-

ENGINEER AND SECTION MEN KILLED AT BONITA

By Associated Press.

shaken up.

train was wrecked yesterday. It is declared that the crew had slow or-

NEPHEW OF CRAZY SNAKE

Oklahoma City, May 11.-A dispatch from Sapulpa last night says that Alexander Harjo, a nephew of Chitti Harjo, leader of the Snake Indians, who is under arrest charged with borse stearing, told Sheriff King of Creek county that his uncle is in hiding eight miles east of Henryetta; that he is suffering severely from a wound in his side; that one of his lientenants also is wounded, and that Harjo has sent word he will surrender to none other than Sheriff King.

Young Harjo was threatened by a party of Indians In Sapulpa yesterday and a lynching was forestalled by the authorities. The Indians feared he was there to incite another Snake up-

VINITA HOSPITAL TO BE

Guthrie, Okla., May 13.-The state yesterday decided to visit the bospital for the insane at Kankakee, Ill., 10 pick up suggestions for plans and specifications for the new Eastern hospital for the insane to be built at Vin-Ita, Okla,

C. L. Long, a member of the board. stated today that the new institution will be located on a 160-acre tract sit-

Assessor, at the Fort Supply asylum.

Washington, May 11. - What ap-1 fore the other republican memberspears to be the beginning of a struggle knew of it at ali, they had wired abetween the republican raction of old recommendation for a Blackwell bank-Uklahoma Territory side of the state er for the position. They also wired against the Indian Territory side, for President Taft, assuming to themthe control of the state organization, selves the right to dictate the appointhas broken loose in Washington. And ment. About this time Morgan caught the cause of it all is the choosing of on and he and Cash Cade recommenda successor to John Hale, who recent- ed Orren Lillon, a Geary banker, for ly resigned as a national bank examin- the place. In the meantime Repre-

have candidates for the place and be consulted and that the appointthey are standing pat on their recom- ment is his due. It was expected that Bonita, Tex., May 12.-In a derail mendations. It is clearly apparent at he would recommend a man either banks were chartered Tuesday by the ment of an M., K. & 's. local pas- this time that Creager is going to from Muskogee or Tulsa, but it is secretary of state. The First State senger train, near here today, the endemand this appointment for the east understood that his selection is a gineer and two section hands were side of the state, and if he does not get banker in one of the smaller towns amended state bank charter. Farmers killed and many passengers badly it, there is to be a cutting loose the of the Creek nation, though Mr. Creagdogs of political warfare. It would er will not disclose his man. The fireman was badly scalded and appear, too, that Creager is justified | Another interesting question has twenty-two others injured. The train in this demand, as it is either get this been brought out. That is whether was going at a high rate of speed appointment or admit that the two the comptroller of the currency will over a piece of track where a freight west side members of congress, back- stand for the appointment of an exed by Chairman Norris of the state aminer who is not a national banker. committee, and not be, are the pie it is known that at least one of the cutters for the state. This altuation recommendations made is for a man

> had inside information of the forth- favor state banks as has been shown coming resignation of Hale, and be- in several instances.

since the fourth of March.

sentative Creager returned to Wash-McGuire, Morgan and Creager each ington and announced that he was to

has gradually been developing ever who has been running a state guaranteed bank, and the treasury depart-It seems that McGuire and Norris ment is not particularly disposed to

FRISCO WILL FIGHT CHARTER FORFEITURE

pany was transferred last year from same. asylum board at a meeting held here federal court, Leo Meyer, first assistthe district court of the state to the ant secretary of state, issued an order By Associated Press. forfeiting the railroad's right to do business in the state. The railway cellent condition after walking fortycompany sought a temporary injunc-

> FATE OF CAPTAIN HAINS PLACED IN JURY'S HANDS. Ing.

Flushing, N. Y., May 11.-The fate By Associated Press. jury at noon today.

BOARD FORMULATES SET OF RULES OF PROCEDURE

Oklahoma City, May 12.-The ap- Guthrie, Okla., May 12.-The state plication of the St. Louis & San Fran- board of public affairs has published cisco Railway company for a tempor a set of raies under which it will proary injunction restraining the secre- ceed. Before ordering supplies for tary of state from forfeiting the com- any department it is necessary for the pany's right to operate in this state department to make requisition upon because of its alleged failure to com- blanks furnished by the board stating ply with the constitutional provision; the amount, character and maximum that all foreign public service corpor- cost of supplies desired, and the fund ations shall domesticate, was heard in from which it is to be paid. It is chambers by United States Judge Cot- the Intention of the board to allow teral of the western district of Okla- claims for supplies on the same day nome in Okiahoma City yesterday. Arg. that supplies are delivered and claims uments were concluded and a decision filed. The board takes the position will be rendered probably within two that it has no power to create a deficit and that before any account can Atorney General West appeared for be allowed, it must be definitely asthe state. When the Gertrude Goode certained that the legislature has action for damages against the com- made an appropriation to cover the

Weston Leaves Elisworth.

Elisworth, Kans., May 13.-In ex-

five miles yesterday, arriving here shortly after midnight last night, Weston, the aged pedestrian, continued westward at eight o'clock this more-

Bishop Gallaway is Dead.

of Peter C. Hains, Jr., on trial, charg- Jackson, Miss., May 12. - Bishop. The board called for plans and speci- ed with the murder of William E. Charles B. Gallaway, of the Methofications for a new heat and ice plant Annis, was placed in the hands of the dist Episcopal church died here today of pneumonia.

MAY COMPLETE SPECIAL

By Associated Press.

edly will be necessary .

By Associated Press.

Tulsa, Okla., May 11.-Another efyesterday and five others were needed. Wrights as they landed and elaborate their complaint. the jury may not be completed till entertainments have been arranged in Wednesday.

HOUSE REFUSES TO CONCUR JOURNAL CLAIMS IT HAS ON SENATE AMENDMENT

Harry Forker is about 45 years old.

of D. M. Forker, one of the officials

By Associated Press.

the house today refused to concur in to the unequivocal statement that it There were fifteen negative votes. the senate amendments to the state- has discovered the lost John Orth, wide prohibition resolution, and sent otherwise Archduke Johann Salvator, it back to the upper house, asking of Austria, who disappeared nineteen that body to recede. The senate prob- years ago. According to the Journal ably will decline to give up its changes Orth was discovered at Painesville, and conference committees undoubt. Ohio, working as a machinist and his By Associated Press. advancing age and desire to be buried identity known.

> WRIGHTS WELCOMED BY PROMINENT AERONAUTS.

By Associated Press. New York, May 11,-Wilbur and fort was made in the federal court Orville Wright, the aeronauts, arrived here today, to complete the grand jury, here today from Europe, where they

their honor.

that is to reinvestigate the Muskogee have been giving exhibitions with dissatisfied with the assessment northeast of Vinita. The land was By Associated Press. town lot cases, involving Governor their machine. A number of distin- should appear before the equalization donated to the state by the citizens

C. V. CORSELOWEY.